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JULY TOWN MEETING.

Vice President English introduced an ordinance to prohibit skateboarding on public streets and sidewalks. Vivian Reese and her 5th grade class reported on the Town sign project. The design submitted by the class has been accepted and as a result of her letter to Governor Glendening the SHA will construct and place the signs on Rt. 50 north and south of the town. Thanks for an excellent job by Mrs. Reese and her entire class. The Commissioners have agreed to use the town engineer for design of the Water Distribution System rather than bid the design work. The Town has changed its legal representation with Dave Thompson replacing Steve Kehoe as Town Attorney. MDIA will be authorized to continue enforcing the Trappe livability code. Other than Main Street the next priority for street resurfacing will be West Greenfield. Other streets will be addressed following the installation of water mains and meter pits.

GENERAL INFORMATION

The Trappe Fire Company fair was held July 17th & 18th, 1998 with the parade on July 18th. Thanks to everyone who came out to support our volunteer fire company.



Heavy trash pickup will be July 31, 1998. Regular heavy trash schedule is the last Friday of January, April, July, and October.

PLEASE USE



THE RECYCLE STATIONS.

Half the cost of trash removal is in the landfill tipping fees and nearly half of that cost is in water and newspapers. Help keep costs and taxes down. Cover your trash cans to keep water out and take newspapers to one of the two stations provided for your use. This will keep us from using your tax dollars to carry rainwater to the landfill.

HELP WANTED!

Volunteers are needed to serve on the BOCA board, the election commission, and as alternate on the appeals board.

TOWN CENTER ZONE.

The old town center has been designated in the comprehensive plan as a village center overlay zone. The planning commission will be defining regulations affecting everyone who lives in the "Old Town Center". Commission meetings are the 3rd Wed of every month at 7pm.

Trappe has been accepted as a designated revitalization area. This qualifies the town, private citizens, and businesses for several state assistance programs. 1. Loans and grants for small business redevelopment. (Neighborhood Business Development, Dottie Meyers 410-514-7250. 2. Preservation tax credits, for rehabilitation of a certified heritage structure. (Heritage Preservation, Bill Pencek, 410-514-7600) 3. State backed mortgages. (Maryland Department of

Housing and Community Development, Jessie Alfriend 1-800-638-7781) 4. Several other programs for the Town Government to obtain assistance.

PROJECT UPDATES.

WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT: Funding is in place, design complete and we are expecting a building permit from MDE within the month at which time we will advertise for bids.

WATER DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM. The construction loan is in place and a bond issue will soon be advertised. The Tower is completed, replacement water mains on Main Street and Greenfield Ave. are complete. The Tower hookup to the system will be finished this month as Bryan & Sons are ahead of schedule and under budget. The detailed plans for the balance of the distribution system have yet to be completed.

NORTH MAIN STREET SIDEWALK.

Still in the planning stage. In order to get 100% state funding the sidewalk connecting the town center with Whitemarsh school will have to be done in segments in sequential fiscal years as funding becomes available.

NEXT TOWN MEETING

August 05, 1998 7:00pm

1. Ordinance 5-98 prohibiting skateboarding.
2. A report by Talbot County Parks and Recreation with recommendations concerning a skate boarding facility in Trappe.
3. Ordinance changing the way traffic and parking violations are enforced.
4. An ordinance accepting changes to LGIT (insurance trust) bylaws.



John Franklin Baker

HOMERUN BAKER MEMORIAL PARK

The property has been purchased (south of the water treatment ponds with access from both Maple Ave and Old Trappe Rd). A plan has been drawn up, and we have been approved for Project Open-Space Funding. The cost of developing the park has

been estimated at approximately \$200,000. Project Open-Space funds means that we get a two to one match from the County for every dollar that we raise locally, so we are targeting a figure of \$70,000 to fund our local contribution. The Trappe Lions have offered to help with the concession stand. David A. Bramble Inc. has been donating fill dirt from their road work on Main Street. The Town has offered its office, and Faith Chapel in Windy Hill has made a generous financial contribution. Trappe Little League will also lend assistance.

In order to generate \$70,000, we have to depend on the whole community for help. There are currently 1,689 registered voters in Trappe's two voting districts. If each of these voters gave \$40, we would have the money to build the park. If you wish to see the park built in Trappe, and wish to help, you can make a contribution by sending a check made out to: HomeRun Baker Memorial Park Committee to the Town Office, PO Box 162, Trappe, MD 21673-0162. Or, if you would rather help us with something other than financial support, drop us a line in care of the Town Office, or call Skip Marvel at 410-476-5250. --HomeRun Baker Memorial Park Memorial Committee.

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